Introduced by Senator Wyland

February 18, 2011

An act to amend Section 19607 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to satellite wagering.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 732, as introduced, Wyland. Satellite wagering: funding for offsite stabling.

Existing law requires the California Horse Racing Board to determine the number of usable stalls that each association or fair is required to make available and maintain in order to conduct a racing meeting. Existing law requires, when satellite wagering is conducted in certain areas, as specified, that an amount not to exceed 1.25 % of the total amount handled by all of those satellite wagering facilities be deducted from the funds otherwise allocated for distribution as commissions, purses, and owners' premiums and instead distributed to an organization formed and operated by thoroughbred racing associations, fairs conducting thoroughbred racing, and the organization representing thoroughbred horsemen and horsewomen, to administer a fund to provide reimbursement for offsite stabling at board-approved auxiliary training facilities for additional stalls beyond the number of usable stalls the association or fair is required to make available and maintain, and for the vanning of starters from these additional stalls on racing days for thoroughbred horses.

This bill would require that the off-site stabling at board-approved training facilities for which reimbursement is provided also be located within a reasonable travel distance from the association or fair.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 19607 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19607. Notwithstanding Sections 19605.8 and 19605.9, when satellite wagering is conducted on thoroughbred races at associations or fairs in the central or southern zone, an amount not to exceed 1.25 percent of the total amount handled by all of those satellite wagering facilities shall be deducted from the funds otherwise allocated for distribution as commissions, purses, and owners' premiums and instead distributed to an organization formed and operated by thoroughbred racing associations, fairs conducting thoroughbred racing, and the organization representing thoroughbred horsemen and horsewomen, with each party having meaningful representation on the board of the organization, to administer, pursuant to supervision of the board, a fund to provide reimbursement for offsite stabling at board-approved auxiliary training facilities located within a reasonable travel distance from the association or fair for additional stalls beyond the number of usable stalls the association or fair is required to make available and maintain pursuant to Section 19535, and for the vanning of starters from these additional stalls on racing days for thoroughbred horses.